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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider references which have been cited in the corresponding International Application.

- EP 0 200 997 discloses a joining spot of two thin metal sheets. This involves folding flanges over through 180° as shown in the figure. This reference is cited under Category X with Fig. 3 indicated to be relevant. No full translation of the reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

- DE 199 32 415 discloses a laser beam welding for a motor vehicle door or the like which involves bending an edge strip. This reference is cited under Category Y with Fig. 3 indicated to be particularly relevant to International claims 1 - 7 and 9. No full translation of this reference is available to Applicant at this time. However, Applicant attaches an English language abstract.

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- U.S. Patent 5,221,585 has been cited under Category Y with column 1 lines 63, 64,
column 4 lines 2 - 19 and Fig. 4 indicated to be relevant.

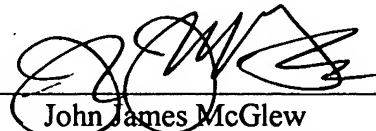
- WO 03/022612 has been cited under Category A.

- U.S. Patent Application Publication 2001/0029702 has been cited under Category A.

Consideration of the references is requested.

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	<u>5,221,585</u>	<u>June 22, 1993</u>	<u>Kresse, Jr. et al.</u>			<u>June 15, 1992</u>
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	<u>EP 0 200 997</u>	<u>Nov. 12, 1986</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>DE 199 32 415</u>	<u>Feb. 15, 2001</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>WO 03/022612</u>	<u>March 20, 2003</u>	<u>International</u>			<u>Yes</u>

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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